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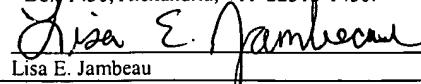
Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application, please find:

1. Amendment in Response to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2004;
2. Return postcard.

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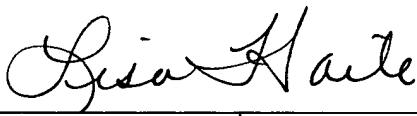
The Fee for this Response is calculated as follows:

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	Calculations
Total Claims	37	49	0	x \$09	x \$18	\$0.00
Independent Claims	6	6	0	x \$43	x \$86	\$0.00
Multiple Claims				\$145	\$290	\$0.00
Basic Filing Fee				\$385	\$770	\$0.00
					TOTAL FEE	\$0.00

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this paper. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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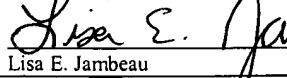
Responsive to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2004, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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